

Welcome to the Highlands United Methodist Church

A joyous welcome to you!
We are glad each of you has come to worship the Lord.

The 9:09 Bluegrass Service

- Welcome
- Music "From the Rising of the Sun"
"He Keeps Me Singing"
- A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross
- Prayer / The Lord's Prayer
- Joys
- A Time to Offer our Gifts to God
- Music "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"
- Scripture John 12:1-8
- A Word of Faith Extravagant Generosity
- Holy Communion
- Music "I Love to Tell the Story"
- Sending Forth
- Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"



To receive Pastor Randy's **daily email devotions**, "*Ruminations and Reflections*", please email him at randyhumc@icloud.com

To receive **church email updates and news** please email Sonja at highlandsumc@icloud.com



Like us on Facebook ~ Can't make it to church on a Sunday? You can watch our worship services each Sunday on Facebook. Look for the latest happenings and church news.

Scan the **QR Code** on your smart phone to go to the church website Find out about upcoming events, ministries, how to serve and much more.



Church Happenings:

- Joy Group** - Our JOY Group (Just Older Youth) meets for lunch and fellowship on **Thursdays at 11:30am** in the F&FC.
- UMM Breakfast** - **Saturday, April 9th at 8:30am** the Methodist Men's group will meet for their monthly breakfast. Please join us for some great fellowship and food.
- Palm/Passion Sunday ~ April 10th** - services at 9:09 & 10:50am
- Service of Healing ~ Wednesday, April 13th** in the F&FC at 6pm
- Holy Thursday Service ~ April 14th at 5:30pm** in the sanctuary
- Good Friday Service ~ April 15th at 5:30pm** in the sanctuary
- Easter Sunday ~ Sunday, April 17th**
 - Sunrise Service** in front of the Easter Cross on the front lawn at 7:00am
 - Easter Worship Services ~ 9:09 & 10:50am**
 - You may provide an Easter Lily for the 10:50 service
 - Potluck Easter Brunch ~ 10:00am** in the F&FC
 - Easter Egg Hunt ~ 10:00am** on the front lawn
- Blood Drive - Monday, June 27th from 10:00-3:00pm** in the old Fellowship Hall. To make an appointment call Kristy at 526-3376, ext. 107 or call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter HighlandsUMC.

Wednesday Night Supper

Join us for Wednesday Night Supper at **5:15pm** in the Faith and Fellowship Center. Menu: grilled hot dogs, Mac & cheese, chips, & dessert. There is no program this week.

Candy Donations Needed! ~ Any individually wrapped candy (able to fit in a plastic Easter egg) will be greatly appreciated in preparation for the HUMC kids' Easter egg hunt! Donations can be placed in a bin in the Donation Stations marked Easter egg candy. Thank you!

Ministry Bags

Each month we collect items for different ministries. For the month of **April** we're collecting small dolls, children's books, and matchbook cars for Little Children of the World.

The altar flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given in loving memory of Mildred Zachary Wilson by her nieces, Betty & Kathey and to the Glory of God.

- Attendance on March 27th** Combined Service - 131
- Help Needed** - to help decorate the cross for Easter on **March 16th**. Please call Gay Kattel for more information at 526-2746.
- Masks are optional** while attending indoor gatherings at HUMC.
- Highlands Cashiers Players** will have their first show the last two weekends in April. If you would like to volunteer please let Kristy know.

Potluck Easter Brunch
Breakfast casseroles and pastries needed for Easter Brunch on Easter Sunday, April 17th.
Please let Kristy know what you plan to bring.
Items are needed at the church at 9:30am.

Giving

- Here's a report of your faithful giving for Sunday, March 27th -
- Restricted Accounts -
- Pastor's Fund - \$20.00
- UMCOR / Ukraine - \$1,300.00
- General Fund - \$8,165.00

Current Studies and Small Groups

Seekers Sunday School Class

The class is currently studying the book of Isaiah. They meet in person on **Sundays at 9:45am**. Contact - Steve Bruner at stevebruner@gmail.com.

Bob Hood's Sunday School Class

The class will be starting a new book by Max Lucado, *Life Lessons from James* on **Sundays at 10:10am in the Scout room**. Contact - Bob Hood at bobhood3@gmail.com.

Home Lectionary Study Group

A weekly study around the upcoming week lectionary readings. Meeting time - **Tuesdays at 7:00pm**. Contact - Fred Motz at bigbearpen@gmail.com

Men's Tuesday Breakfast

This group meets for breakfast at the Blue Bike on **Tuesday** mornings at **8:00am**. They are currently studying "*Gracism - The Art of Inclusion*" by David A. Anderson."

Women's Tuesday Night Bible Study

The group is reading the Christian fiction novel "*A Voice in the Wind*" by Francine Rivers about a Jewish Christian girl who is enslaved during the fall of Jerusalem and sent to serve in a Roman household. Everyone is responsible for ordering their own copy of the book. . The class meets at **7:00pm on Tuesdays**. Contact - Debbie Brock at debbiedharris@gmail.com or Sara Mayer at scmayer@nctv.com.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We're gearing up for another exciting VBS at HUMC this summer, **Monday June 20th - Thursday 23rd from 5:15pm - 8:00pm**. Christine Murphy, our Director of Children and Youth Ministries, is already busy making plans. The theme this year is "Food Truck Party!"



As always, volunteers are essential to the success of our VBS. In order to make this a wonderful experience for the children, many volunteers (adult and youth) are needed: small group leaders, craft leader, science leader, snack leader, and dinner preparation. Please contact Christine Murphy to volunteer! Call (828) 200-0131 or email - christinehumc@icloud.com.

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service
Fifth Sunday in Lent

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal; † Congregation standing
Please enter the sanctuary in a spirit of prayer and meditation
Large print copies of the hymnals and Bible are available in the narthex.

Prelude	Change My Heart, O God I Surrender All	-Espinosa -Weeden
Welcome		
Centering Music	Cherubic Song #7	-Bortniansky [Ukrainian]
Opening Prayer		
†Hymn of Praise	“Fairest Lord Jesus”	UMH #189
Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles’ Creed	UMH p.881
Pastoral Prayer / The Lord’s Prayer		
The Lord’s Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.		
Joys		
Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory	My Jesus, I Love Thee	-Gordon
†Doxology	Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH #94
†Offering Prayer		
Anthem	As the Deer	-Martin Nystrom
Scripture	John 12:1-8	
Sermon	Extravagant Generosity	
A Service of Word and Table II		
†Hymn of Faith	“More Love to Thee, O Christ”	UMH #453
Dismissal with Blessing “Let There Be Peace on on Earth”		
Postlude	Prelude II in D Minor	-J.S. Bach [Little P&F]

Happy Birthday to (April 3) Scott Baker; (April 4) Melanie Ye; (April 6) Larry Cummings; (April 7) Jim Bryson; (April 8) Susan Hood, Nancy LaCoe, Kay Shirley, Jim Tate

Happy Anniversary to (April 4) Bobby & Barbara Newton; (April 9) Wayne & Nancy Lacoe

Altar Flowers for the sanctuary: The Altar Guild of HUMC welcomes the gift of flowers for our 10:50 worship service. Flowers may be given to remember or honor loved ones, to give thanks, or to celebrate a special event. The cost for altar arrangements is \$60. Please fill out one of the forms beneath the calendar, outside Randy's office, and place in Sonja’s box across from the church office.

Have a Prayer Need?

To put someone on the Prayer List please call the church office (526-3376) or Joy Still (526-8097). Please provide an address of the person(s) for whom you are requesting prayer so we may send a card to let them know we are praying for them.

We will keep names on the **Short Term** list two weeks & the **Long Term** list four weeks. At the end of two or four weeks your loved one will be removed from the list. Please contact the church office again for your loved one if you wish for them to be put back on the list. This way we can be sure our list is kept up to date.

Our Prayers & Sympathies go out to Kay McKey and family on the death of her husband John McKey.

Prayer List

Short Term: Craig Eister, Lynn Kleifgen, Dennis Ostema, Seth Satterwhite, Paul Smith, Bill Williams

Long Term: Mark Ballard, Clarence Bauknight, Henry Brown, Timothy Philip Caldwell, Ronnie Crowe, Joann Dale, Malcom Davies, Dan Gordon, Dick Hall, John & Gisele Hall, Bob & Sammie Houston, Dennis Howard, Kendra Hughes, Jeff James, Cheryl Jenkins, Mary Virginia Jones, Kelli Lampkin, Karen Miglionico, Doug Parrott, Judy Pendergrass, Michelle Pendergrass, Phyllis Pittas, Penny Pollack, Beverly Postell, Logan Petrone, Brantley Potts, Terri Potts, Anne Prince, Jessica Robinson, Marty Sass, Catherine Taylor, Olan Vinson

Join Our Prayer Circle

We welcome you to join our Prayer Circle to lift up those who are in need of prayer. Prayer requests are emailed to the Prayer Circle as they come in. Please email Sonja at highlandsumc@icloud.com to be a part of this ministry.

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Church Staff: Rev. Dr. Randy Lucas, Senior Pastor; Les Scott, Minister of Music; Sonja DeFoor, Office Manager; Keith Crawford, Financial Secretary; Christine Murphy, Director of Children & Youth Ministries; Sherry Bruner & Susan Clearman, Pianists; Marlene & Gary Nix, Sextons; Kristy Martin, Food Services Director



LOVE God. Offer CHRIST to All.

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